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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ENRG PFOR EG US IS
SUBJ: AMOCO DRILLING ACTIVITIES IN GULF OF SUEZ

REF: CAIRO 2819

1. ROSS CRAIG, AMOCO EGYPT MANAGER HAS JUST CALLED TO INQUIRE IF THERE HAS BEEN ANY INDICATION OF ISRAELI REACTION TO AMOCO RIG 511'S CONTINUED PRESENCE AT LOCATION IN SOUTHERN GULF OF SUEZ. SPECIFICALLY, CRAIG WONDERED IF HE SHOULD TRY TO PLACE FINAL ANCHOR WHICH WOULD ALLOW DRILLING TO BEGIN. HE CONCERNED THAT HE NOT PROVOKE FURTHER INCIDENT WHILE DIPLOMATIC CONTACTS ARE PRECEEDING, BUT OBSERVED THAT AT SOME POINT HE MUST PLACE ANCHOR IF RIG IS TO OPERATE.

2. WE TOLD CRAIG WE COULD NOT ADVISE HIM ON PLACE-
MENT OF ANCHOR AT THIS TIME. AS WE HAD EARLIER
INFORMED HIM ISRAELIS HAVE TOLD US THERE IS NO
DEADLINE ON RETRIEVAL OF ANCHORS, BUT DECISION ON
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WHAT TO DO NEXT HAD TO BE MADE BY AMOCO. WE NOTED
IT WOULD OF COURSE BE BETTER IF THERE WERE NO
UNPLEASANT INCIDENTS.

3. CRAIG SAID THAT HE DOES NOT PLAN TO TAKE ANY
FURTHER ACTION BEFORE FEBRUARY 17. BEFORE DECIDING
TO PLACE FINAL ANCHOR HE WILL CONSULT WITH US.

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